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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

On page 78, line 24, following "central processor 12 over Ethernet network", please N.E. delete "32" and insert therefor - - 41 - -.





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Dear Sir:

LISA J. MICHAUD

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following documents:

1. Preliminary Amendment;

- 2. Ten (10) pages of amended informal drawings;
- 3. Two (2) pages of Specification; and
- 4. Return Postcard.

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